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## October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month







VENTURA, California – District Attorney Gregory D. Totten announced today that October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month. Domestic Violence affects every community, regardless of age, socioeconomic status, sexual orientation, gender, religion, race, or nationality. Twenty-three percent of women and fourteen percent of men have experienced severe physical violence by an intimate partner.

Help is available 24/7 in our community. Visit the Ventura County Family Justice Center at <a href="https://vcfjc.org/services/">https://vcfjc.org/services/</a>, the National Domestic Violence Hotline at <a href="https://www.thehotline.org/">https://www.thehotline.org/</a>, or call 800-799-SAFE (7233). Call 211 for Info Link Ventura County or visit <a href="www.211ventura.org">www.211ventura.org</a> on the web.

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